

Covid Narrative Update April 5, 2021

Select Board member Maura Curran pointed out the following important dates:

Tuesday (April 6) 6:30 p.m.: Select Board meeting.

Thursday (April 8) 2p.m.: Moderator's meeting.

Monday (April 12), 7 p.m.: Special and Annual Town Meeting, high school gym.

Town Administrator Jim Boudreau said as of April 5, residents 55 and older are eligible for the Covid vaccine and those with one comorbidity. Check mass.gov/covid for details.

Residents can go to vaccinesignup.mass.gov to get appointments at the mass vaccination sites. After signing up, the state will notify the resident when appointments are available.

CVS and the Marshfield Fairgrounds post when they have doses available, so check the mass.gov/covid site often for updates.

Anyone having a hard time getting an appointment, can call the state help line at 2-1-1 or the Scituate Senior Center at 781-545-8722.

Starting April 19, anyone age 16 and older will be eligible for a vaccination.

Homebound residents can call 844-771-1628 to register to be vaccinated at home.

Boudreau said the town had 38 new Covid cases over the past week; that is the same number as the previous week. The town's positivity rate is 2.72 percent over the last 14 days. Scituate is still in the "yellow" on the state positivity map.

He asked residents to continue to be vigilant so the schools and businesses can stay open.

The state is slated to receive 100,000 doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine next week which requires just one shot.

Widow's Walk is open for golf. The course is in great shape. The clubhouse is closed for renovations. Later in the season, a food truck will be available for golfers.

The fire crew in Humarock is moving to quarters at the Air Force recreation area on Fourth Cliff while the Humarock firehouse gets reconstructed. Demolition of the building will start soon. The project is expected to be completed by October.

Reconstruction of the Peggotty Beach parking lot has started and should take less than a month. The existing area cannot be extended due to conservation restrictions.

Ospreys made a nest on a crane at Cole Parkway and the nest was able to be moved because the mother bird had not laid her eggs yet. The Environmental Police were involved. If the eggs had been laid, it could have halted the project.

It's okay to walk Cedar Point on the weekends, but please avoid the area during the week due to ongoing construction.

The Senior Center landscaping is going in. Staff and the Veterans Services Officer have moved in. Due to Covid, it is still preferred for residents to make an appointment at the Senior Center unless it is an emergency.

Water main flushing continues. Look for the illuminated signs in your neighborhood.

Superintendent of Schools William Burkhead said the schools had four Covid cases last week for a total of 186 this school year.

MCAS requirements could be changing due to Covid. Parents will be notified after the state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education votes on the matter. Parents will also be notified about changes in ELA for families who opt for remote learning for the rest of the school year.

K-5 full opening went well last week. Monday, grades 6-12 will be able to return to in-person learning full-time. Scituate police will have officers at the opening and closing of the middle and high schools to handle traffic as more families have opted not to have their students ride the school bus this year.